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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Application Number	09/830,251
Filing Date	July 11, 2001
First Named Inventor	Todd Michael Wernicke
Group Art Unit	1751
Examiner Name	Charles I. Boyer
Attorney Docket Number	7816
Confirmation Number	3337

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☒ Supp. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Suspension of action fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i)

iv. ☐ Other _____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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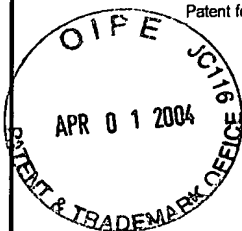
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**Complete if Known**

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE – Large Entity

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	Claims	Below	Paid
Total Claims	<input type="checkbox"/> - 20** = <input type="checkbox"/> x <input type="checkbox"/> =	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1202	18	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	**Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 & over original patent	
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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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1051	130	Surcharge-late filing fee or oath	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1053	130	Non-English specification	<input type="checkbox"/>
1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	<input type="checkbox"/>
1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner's action <input type="checkbox"/>	
1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner's action <input type="checkbox"/>	
1251	110	Extension for reply within 1 st month	<input type="checkbox"/>
1252	420	Extension for reply within 2 nd month	<input type="checkbox"/>
1253	950	Extension for reply within 3 rd month	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1401	330	Notice of Appeal	<input type="checkbox"/>
1402	330	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	<input type="checkbox"/>
1403	290	Request for oral hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>
1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1453	1,330	Petition to revive - unintentional	<input type="checkbox"/>
1501	1,330	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	<input type="checkbox"/>
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1807	50	Processing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(q)	<input type="checkbox"/>
1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/>
1809	770	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	<input type="checkbox"/>
1810	770	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	<input type="checkbox"/>
1801	770	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	<input type="checkbox"/>
1454	1330	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119, 120, 121, or 365 (a) or (c)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other fee (specify) _____			<input type="checkbox"/>
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